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PLAYALINDA DISTRICT INTERPRETIVE PROGRAMS March 2017

PLEASE NOTE: *all programs are subject to cancellation and/or rescheduling* due to staff limitations, weather conditions, or other factors. Some programs require reservations, a minimum age, or a cost recovery fee. Call 321-403-9334 or 386-428-3384 ext. 0 for program information during operating hours (9:00a.m. to 5:00 p.m.). Visit our website at www.nps.gov/cana. Entrance fees apply to all interpretive program participants. All programs meet the requirements for the Canaveral National Seashore Junior Ranger Program.

THURSDAY 9TH & 30TH – 10:00 AM "NATURE WALK"– Explore the seashore. Walk for fun and exercise. Discover the diversity and beauty of the various plants and animals inhabiting the barrier island. Bring your camera if you wish. Bring water, sunscreen and repellant. On the 9th meet at Playalinda Beach Eddy Creek Parking Area. On the 30th meet at parking area 3 (1 hour)

SATURDAY 4TH – **10:00 AM "PLAYALINDA BEACH CLEAN-UP"** – Join a park ranger on this beautiful beach and help keep our shorelines trash free. Bring gloves, water and sunscreen. Trash bags will be provided. Meet at parking area 5. (1 hour)

SATURDAY 11TH & WEDNESDAY 29TH -1:00 PM "PADDLE THE LAGOON"- Join a ranger as you explore this rich and diverse estuary up close. Some experience is required. You must be at least 10 years old and able to paddle. You must wear covered shoes (no sandals or flip-flops). Bring water, sunscreen and a hat. Dress to get wet (sit on top kayaks). Individuals with their own kayaks or canoes are welcome to join in. Reservations begin: one week in advance. Call (321) 403-9334, to reserve a spot and/or kayak (LIMITED KAYAK AVAILABILITY). Meet at Eddy Creek at 12:45 PM. (2 hours)

WEDNESDAY 22ND – 10:00 AM "SEMINOLE REST WALK" – Tour the historic home known as Seminole Rest. See the site of two historic houses built on a prehistoric Indian shell mound or midden, components of which date as early as second millennium BC. Meet at Seminole Rest main house, 210 River Rd., Oak Hill. (30-40 min.)

FRIDAY, 24TH **-10:00 AM "CAST NETTING"** – Join a ranger at the edge of the lagoon. Practice casting and see what may be caught in this area of Mosquito Lagoon. Bring your own cast net or borrow one of ours (limited supply). Meet at Seminole Rest Dock, 210 River Rd., Oak Hill. (1 hour)

SATURDAY, 25TH – 7:00 PM "NIGHT SKY EXPLORATION"- Explore the celestial sky with our area astronomy clubs. Telescopes will be available for viewing stars, planets and more. Dress for the weather. Bring bug repellent, water/snacks, and maybe a lawn chair for your comfort. Flashlights that emit red light, your own telescopes and/or binoculars are welcome. Call 321-403-9334 to reserve. Reservations begin Saturday, March 18th: <u>RESERVATIONS</u> REQUIRED and SPACE IS LIMITED. Meet at the Playalinda Beach entrance gate. (4 hours)

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